## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Appl. No.: 10/702,184

Confirmation No.: 7526

Applicants: Ina MINEI, et al.

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Title: CONTROLLING THE SIGNALING OF LABEL-SWITCHED PATHS USING A

LABEL DISTRIBUTION PROTOCOL EMPLOYING MESSAGES WHICH

FACILITATE THE USE OF EXTERNAL PREFIXES

TC/A.U.: 2455

Examiner: Bharat Barot

Commissioner for Patents

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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Answer mailed on July 7, 210, which set a period for reopening prosecution or maintaining the appeal to expire on September 7, 2010, please reopen prosecution and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.